

CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:
CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

12/11/14
Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement between the City and UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY for construction services for the Bowie Underpass project in an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department:	Economic Development Department
Project Name:	Bowie Underpass
Fund/Department/Unit:	8560-5507-0057
Funding Source:	General Obligation Bonds
Current Appropriation:	6,800,000.00
Unencumbered Balance:	6,785,790.46
Amount of This Action:	<u>(2,200,000.00)</u>
Remaining Balance:	<u>4,585,790.46</u>
Total Amount of this Action	<u><u>2,200,000.00</u></u>

ANALYSIS / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This interlocal agreement will provide funds for the UPRR to construct two bridge span replacements on the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) alignment for the Bowie Underpass project. The Bowie Underpass project and Union Pacific Railroad Bridge span replacements will provide safe passage and alternative transportation choices for bicyclists and pedestrians across the barrier formed by the UPRR.

This project represents the primary bicycle and pedestrian link between two residential and commercial developments separated by Lady Bird Lake. Plans have been prepared for replacing the northernmost span of the existing Union Pacific Railroad Lady Bird Lake Bridge, which is located over the newly constructed 2nd Street. The span will be replaced to accommodate a new ballasted deck required by the Union Pacific Railroad over new roadways.

The design of the pedestrian underpass is approximately 99% complete and the final design will be submitted for final review and permitting in early 2015. The project was previously put on hold pending negotiations with UPRR and a change in available funding. Negotiations with the railroad resulted in the addition of the bridge span replacement and controlled surface crossing west of Lamar Blvd. The bridge span replacement will be constructed first by the UPRR, and the underpass will be advertised, bid, and constructed once the UPRR construction has been completed.

This project is managed by the Public Works Department.